



988 Planning Grant

Planning Coalition Meeting

December 14, 2021

Members Present:

Katie Storr, DMH Chief of Staff
April McNair, DMH Special Projects Officer
Suzanne Rabideau, Health Management Associates
Veronica Vaughn, DMH Director of Branch of Coordinated Care
Kristi Kindrex, DMH Special Projects Officer
Brenda Patterson, Executive Director of Contact Crisis Line
Katrina Sunivelle, Executive Director of Contact Helpline
Ja'Quila Newsome, DMH Director of Suicide Prevention
Andrew Day, Mississippi Division of Medicaid
Jonathan Grantham, Region 6 Clinical Director of LifeHelp
Amy Mosley, Region 10 Director of Crisis Services
Captain Johnny Poulos, MS Department of Public Safety
Captain Michael Wade Johnson, CIT Coordinator of Lauderdale County
Chief Jeff McCutchen of Oxford Police Department
Sitaniel Wimbley, Executive Director of NAMI of MS

I. Welcome

- Katie Storr, Chief of Staff with the Department of Mental Health, welcomed all team members to the 988 Planning Coalition meeting.

II. Approval of Minutes from November 9, 2021

- The 988 Planning Coalition meeting minutes for November 9, 2021, were approved as submitted.

III. Coalition Member Corner

- Suzanne Rabideau, Health Management Associates, introduced the Coalition Member Corner for discussion.
 1. Katrina Sunivelle, Executive Director of Contact Helpline, announced that the United Way in Lowndes county is discussing 988 with the United Way in Jackson, MS concerning the 211 number being answered in state. Katrina will meet with Untied Way in the near future concerning the 988 and 211 numbers being answered in state and will provide updates to the Coalition members.

2. Chief Jeff McCutchen, Oxford Police Department, discussed that their Law Enforcement arrive first on scene, then the next morning the Resource Coordinator connects victims and individuals with trauma to the community partners in their area for services.

IV. National Crisis Jam Corner

- Suzanne Rabideau, Health Management Associates, discussed the Crisis Jam Corner and encouraged members to attend the weekly National Crisis Jam. Coalition members can watch videos and view the different topics on the Crisis Jam website.
 1. Crisis Jam starts at 11:00am every Wednesday in Mississippi
 2. Web Link for Crisis Jam: <https://talk.crisisnow.com/learningcommunity/>
 3. Topics discussed and presented on the Crisis Jam website:
 - * Learning Community Videos
 - * Past 988 Crisis Jam Videos
 - * Presentations
 - * Quotes
 - * Emergency Services
 - * Protocols

V. Feedback from Vibrant on MS 988 Implementation Plan

- Katie Storr, DMH Chief of Staff, announced that there were not a lot of changes to the 988 Implementation Plan, the overall feedback is to focus on the 988 centers. Suggested changes will be made and sent to the Coalition for review prior to the due date for the final plan.

VI. Coalition Sub-Committees

- Suzanne Rabideau, Health Management Associates, stated that there is still a need for more participation on the Coalition Sub-Committees from community stake holders.
- Sub-Committee members presented summaries from their previous meeting to the Coalition:
 1. Crisis Care Coordination-Jonathan Grantham, R6 Clinical Director of LifeHelp
 - * Determining the best flow pattern for callers, referrals, law enforcement and other callers with the 988 process
 - * Discussion on how the 988 Call Centers will operate with the Community Mental Health Centers and Law Enforcement
 - * How to enhance the coordination of care between the 988 Call Centers and Community Mental Health Centers in order to provide the most informed services to the person in need
 - * Linking the public to the resources that are available on the Mental Health MS website <https://mentalhealthms.com/>
 - * Expanding Wraparound services
 - * Review a “Demo” from an agency that receives crisis calls

2. Lived Experience-Katie Storr, DMH Chief of Staff

- * Discussed Resources
- * Utilize support groups for the committee
- * Review input and proposals from someone with a lived experience
- * NAMI suggested that each sub-committee should have at least one individual with lived experience
- * Outreach to individuals with lived experiences

3. First Responders-Katie Storr, DMH Chief of Staff

- * Discussed the process of routing calls in order to determine the proper resource
- * In need of more members from the 911 community
- * January 2022, Wendy Bailey, DMH Executive Director will be sending out letters and emailing the stake holders and communities in Mississippi about services that are provided and information on the 988 Implementation Plan
- * Outreach to Sheriff Greg Pollan, President of the Sheriff's Association
- * Outreach to the Administration Department at the Department of Public Safety in order for dispatchers to be on the same page

4. Technology-Katie Storr, DMH Chief of Staff

- * Met briefly, will meet again in 2022 after legislation session starts

5. Crisis Funding-Katie Storr, DMH Chief of Staff

- * Met briefly, will meet again in 2022 after legislation session starts
- * American Recovery Care Act (ARCA) has received Mississippi Department of Mental Health's requested proposals
- * American Recovery Care Act (ARCA) proposals are:
 - \$162 million over 5 year span for behavior health crisis and diversion services
 - \$3 million for 988 Implementation year one then \$2 million for subsequent years
 - Funding for the Community Mental Health Center's for mobile crisis response services
 - Funding for additional CSU beds though out the state
 - Other additional funding has been requested

VII. Next Steps

- o Katie Storr, DMH Chief of Staff, reviewed the next steps.
 1. Continue sub-committee meetings
 2. Outreach for additional members for all sub-committees
 3. Finalizing draft for the 988 Implementation Plan
 4. Review work of sub-committees

VIII. Date and Time of Next Meeting

- o THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE ON MARCH 8, 2022 @10:00AM.